



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : Russell Medford, *et al.* Confirmation No. 7272  
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Commissioner for Patents  
P. O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

April 5, 2003

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a), Applicants herewith petition that the period for response to the Office Action mailed on October 3, 2003 in the above-identified application be extended for three months, to and including, April 5, 2004 (April 3, 2004 was a Saturday). Applicants believe that the fee due for this petition is \$440.00, however the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-0980.

Respectfully submitted,

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